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#### A Prophecy Fulfilled.

opponents. The Sixty-second Congress The House majority behaved pretty the signs of approaching conflict, which as milk boiled five minutes. were plain even to the least experienced gether on December 2 for the final, or out materially changing its character. short, session which will end on Tuesday of next week.

rules. Mr. CLARK became Speaker with- food. out the powers his predecessors for years had wielded. Mr. UNDERWOOD took the chairmanship of Ways and Means, carrying with it the floor leadership. Mr. FITZGERALD went to the head of Appropriations. A programme of economy and tariff revision was at once adopted, and the outlook seemed most encouraging. The harmony and solidarity of the majority were demonstrated convincingly when it rallied almost unanimously to the support of Mr. UNDERWOOD at the time WILLIAM J. BRYAN assailed him as unworthy of Democratic confidence.

The progress of internal bickerings by which this admirable condition of peace, forbearance and unity was converted of the majority to-day inspires the pity of all except the party's enemies. Mr. UNDERWOOD'S once well disciplined host has broken into half a dozen hungry factions, most of them gallantly charging the Treasury to loot it of its contents. Economy has been thrown away as a guiding principle. The possibility of reducing the burden of support-

cratic Congress and for the country!

## Just for the Money.

So far as has been disclosed the prono scientific grounds. It is not known now contribute their proper proportion of the State revenues, or 50 per cent. of what they should, or 50 per cent. more than equity would extract from their pocketbooks. So with the taxation of transfers of stock; there is no tax is just or that a higher or lower rate on September 8, Mr. HILL wrote:

of raising revenue for the support of under treaties and international law the State.

## Some Fallacies About Milk.

When the enormous literature, lav word had been written on this universal and excellent article of food.

causes a "lump in the stomach," a sense decided to recognize his rival Beniro of oppression. A recent scientific in- JUAREZ.

by the persin and acid in the normal stomach. know that

"Milk, alone of all foods, enters the stone 75 ach a liquid and becomes there a more solid 25 food. This hidden and insidious solidness, if I may use the term, is peculiarly characteristic of raw cow's milk, as compared with boiled cow's milk or human milk. The familiar with the fact that boiled milk forms plomacy. Published daily, including Sunday, by the Sun a different curd from raw milk. We, on the Printing and Publishing Association at 170 Nassau other hand, have quite ignored the fact that street, in the Borough of Manhattan, New York,
President and Treasurer, William C. Reick, 170
Nassau street; Vice President, Edward P. Mitcheil,
170 Nassau street; Secretary, C. E. Luxton, 170
rather from a bacteriologic than from a physiologic point of view. And yet boiled which should increase considerably cow's milk forms in the stomach, as does human milk, nearly a liquid food; while raw cow's milk, as I shall hope to demonstrate. is not even a soft food but a solid food, so solid in fact that unless modified in some way and given in careful moderation it commonly forms hard masses that pass undigested throughout the whole alimentary tract and appear as hard curds.

The author had an exceptional opportunity for the experiment, which it It took the Democrats elected in 1910 is unnecessary to describe here, except to the House of Representatives about to say that he proves his contention in twenty-six months to justify the hopes an able essay of six pages with illus- gone neither Federal, State or local and predictions of their Republican trations never before shown so effectinspections. After July 1 a broad prohitively. He explodes the long estabmet in its first session on April 4, 1911. lished fiction that boiled milk interferes meat products shall be brought into creditably up to adjournment on August that pasteurized milk, brought to 155° F. sale as food unless bearing a tag or other 22. Reassembling on December 4, the for thirty minutes, forms softer curds approved mark denoting inspection politically discerning soon observed than raw milk, but not nearly so soft and approval by the Department of

For infants in the feeding of which when the Baltimore convention met. it is necessary to approximate the nu-carcasses of animals slaughtered outside Adjourning on August 26 of last year, triment to the normal human milk, the Members of Congress came to- pasteurization removes bacteria with- they have been inspected and passed

The first work of the majority, made tertain an unreasonable fear of boiled post-mortem inspection and marking doubly easy by the split in the Repub- milk, which is certainly the most digest- up to the standard of this city. lican ranks, was the revision of the ible and germ free form of this valuable

#### What Sort of Racing?

Mr. AUGUST BELMONT announced yes terday that the stewards of the old ently permitting racing bets by word of mouth.

The reestablishment of the sport on a healthy, manly basis, as it is conducted for the most part in England, for exby hundreds of thousands of good citizens of New York.

On the other hand, a revival of the into the present mournful disorder it racetrack shaping through technical would be tiresome to relate. The evasions and official tolerance back change has been wrought and the plight toward the old conditions of systematic gambling and attendant vice for the benefit of the bookmakers would be a public misfortune.

It makes a vast difference what sort of racing it is to be

#### The Recognition of the Huerta De Facto Government.

The Diplomatic Corps in the City ing the Government has been ignored. Mexico was reserving judgment upon the the propaganda of war. There is no The leadership once hailed as excellent stability of the provisional administra- reason to believe that any mistake will be is for the present pathetically impotent. tion of General HUERTA, with a disposi- be made by them should another emer-Democrats now use words as bitter in tion to recommend that it be recognized gency arise. describing each other as ever Republi- by their Governments, when the former May the extra session and the new op- dent, while being conducted from the after he has gained admittance. portunity bring better days for the Demo- National Palace to the penitentiary by a small squad of rurales, were shot and killed. Whatever the truth about the Tribune. posed increases in the stock transfer graver question than it was. While it is and hanged on a gibbet several miles tax and the motor car tax are based on for each foreign nation to decide when, if at all, a de facto government shall be rewhether the owners of automobiles ceived into the international family, the United States, experienced in dealing Gonzales of the Columbia State, The with Spanish-American republics, has SUN "mentioned" him as fit to be a member its own ideas about recognition after of the next Cabinet, the nomination is revolution. Perhaps they were never hereby withdrawn. On the editorial better expressed than by acting Secre- page of the State limp these verses, in d tary of State HILL in the case of Colomstatistical information in the possession bia after an upheaval in 1900. Instructof any person to show that the present ing the United States Minister at Bogota

"When by reason of revolution or othe The proposed new rates are advocated internal change not wrought by regular because it is believed that owners of constitutional methods, a conflict of aumotor cars and those who buy and sell thority exists in another country whereby stocks can afford to pay more money the titular government to which our reprethan they do at present. Owners of sentatives are accredited is reduced from horseless vehicles, men who buy and power and authority, the rule of the United sell evidences of debt: they are rich: States is to defer recognition of another make them pay! This is the ripe philosophy on which the gospel of taxation is of the State, administering government grounded. It is not a midnight oil of the State, administering government silence is so limited. With more of it, thinkers as necessary against the educational test in the immigraphilosophy. It is the political economy without substantial resistance to its auof the stump and the political canvass, thority, and that it is in a position to fulfil and it bears no relation whatever to all international obligations and responsi- would be! any broad and well thought out system bilities incumbent upon a sovereign state

As to Mexico, it has been the practice of the United States to act promptly. and sometimes recognition has been premature and ill advised. In about and medical, on the subject of milk is five months in 1856 the United States as an unfashionably small wage, but perhaps many times gave a provisional govern- all most of them could recover on a quanment in Mexico its diplomatic support, tum meruit. The length of the Oregon A constitution being adopted in that session is forty days, a symbol of the flood THE SUN has often adverted to the country after the fifth proclamation, the of words and its ending. Surely Oregon fact that milk is a good culture medium prospects of the de jure government of is happy not to have to endure a longer for bacteria and we have counselled President IGNATIUS COMONFORT seemed the necessity of avoiding raw milk be- bright, when General Zuloaga headed cause of the unreliability of present a military revolt and drove the Presidairy methods and the insufficiency of dent from power. Conditions apparinspection. There are, however, some ently required the recognition of the prejudices against milk in the public Zuloaga régime, but it was soon dismind which by reason of their antiquity placed by General MIRAMON, and while has stirred that old illustrious Buckeye have become difficult to eradicate. One the foreign Ministers at the capital, with marcher General JACOB SILICASAND of these is that milk causes biliousness. the exception of Mr. Forsyth, the Amer- Coxey to demand "an immergency our When a description of this bilious feeling ican representative, entered into relais asked, the reply is usually that it tions with MIRAMON, the United States

vestigation of the digestibility of raw While the record shows that one de and cold milk by Dr. BRENNEMANN of facto government after another in Mex-Chicago, published in the last number ico was recognized as a matter of course

pictorial demonstration of the large, President MADERO and General FELIX or snatchings the now peaceful autohard lumps, called curds, formed in the DIAZ in the heart of the capital and the biographer in Fourth avenue may stand stomach when raw cold milk is taken. betrayal and deposition of the President placidly and accompany with the world and thus explains the indigestion called by the commander of his army made biliousness from drinking raw milk, such a bad impression upon foreign The author also compares the clotting governments, particularly upon the of cold and boiled milk, showing graphi- United States, that the Diplomatic cally that hard lumps are absent in the Corps was in no hurry to recommend howl and bellow as will rasp the tympana latter, but that duly commingled with recognition. The appalling fate of the of mankind the whey is a flocculent curd produced constitutional President and Vice-President will have the effect of indefinitely All physicians know or should postponing the resumption of diplomatic relations. It must be demonstrated beyond any doubt in this case that General HUERTA can maintain his authority at the capital and in most of the States before his de facto government can be recognized. It is not a question of ethics or of sentiment, but clerks. housewife and the dairyman are practically of politics and the conventions of di-

#### Better Food.

every housekeeper's confidence in the cleanliness and quality of her purchases for the table. An important change affecting food exposed for sale has been made in the section of the Sanitary Code. which hitherto has required screening only of articles displayed outside shops. Under the new wording this protection must be given within stores, bakeries. restaurants and other places.

At present it is possible to ship to New York city from any point not outside the State meat which has under bition will be in effect, under which "no with intestinal activity. He also proves New York city, held, kept or offered for Health of the city of New York or by the Federal or State authorities." the city will be allowed to enter unless under the Federal law, or by the authori-The information here offered is in- ties of a State or minor political subtended for adults, many of whom en-division which maintains a system of at West Point. As Custis Lee was a cadet tertain an unreasonable fear of boiled post-mortem inspection and marking on April 5, 1852, there appears no proba-

More stringent rules are set down for chicken slaughter houses, sausage making, smoking and preserving establishments and slaughter houses generally. It is plain that the board has undertaken to make the meats of New York and con-Jockey Club are to consider the question wholesome, and in its effort it should the encouragement of the decision of have a host of volunteer aids in the the Appellate Division last week appar-

#### A Second Visit.

The Industrial Workers of the World after a period of comparative quiet in ample, would be hailed with rejoicing this immediate neighborhood, now proclaim their intention of subjecting Passaic county, New Jersey, to a visitation in the immediate future. Their objects, as usual, will be incitement to riot, bloodshed and violence.

Fortunately for the people of New Jersey that State is adequately provided with laws for the protection of life and property, and when in 1912 Passaic county underwent an invasion of Industrial Workers the public authorities were not guilty of allowing the situation to get beyond their control. Instead they insisted on the preservation of order from the beginning with consequences humiliating and disastrous to

A ruffian repulsed on his first assault constitutional President and Vice-Presidoes less harm than one thrown out

Indicting common sense. - Providence

tragedy is, recognition of the de facto | Common sense has not only been ingovernment of General HUERTA is a dicted but tried, convicted, sentenced

> If in a moment of excessive amiability knowing the abilities of the Hon. A. E. which it is impossible not to see the feet of Pennsylvania. The young lady says: of Mr. GONZALES

Came the Whisper, then the Vision, came the Power with the Need. Till the Man to curb Big Business was lent

to us to lead. Of the high accomplishments and charmust go to the orthopedic hospital.

The number of languages in which the ton. Woodnow Wilson can keep silence

oncerning his Cabinet appointments. Haren Register It is to be regretted that this blessed what a change and what a boon he or any public man of first importance

Every State with population, wealth, resources, intelligence, prospects, opportuni-ties and position at all comparable to Oregon's pays its legislators more, and, more important, provides a legislative session of greater length.—Portland Ocegonian.

Will Mr. Wilson come in like a lamb or like a lion?

It is not among the least merits and Whatever immersible currency General Coxey may produce or consume he himself will continue to be non-immersible in the Lethe stream that swallows up so many famous heads.

A bully time. - Governor WILSON of the Journal of the American Medi- before the rise of Porfinio Diaz to austere academic lips this is certainly an Outside of his Inner Consciousness! Whether or not appropriate on those For that they were there no one would guess oal Association, furnishes a convincing power, the destructive conflict between appropriation. These small borrowing

renowned grin. Should the plagiarism, appropriation or confiscation be larger should it reach from phrase to programme as some bilious souls are already sure it does, then there will be such a growl.

For the New York representative in the Cabinet it was said that about 250 men have made strong and persistent claims for recognition. - Despatch in THE NEW YORK SUN.

So few? Were betting not obsolete and prohibited ill we would have wagered ten cents to a Congressional Record, say 1,000,000,000,000,000 to 1, that not less than 250,000 New Yorkers had filed their "claims" to sit in that august council of

A great deal has been heard about the Missouri State Hymn. Of "Maid Missouri." a composition of which CHAMP CLARK himself would have been proud, little or nothing is known in the East

Here is the refrain: "Hurrah! The flag that's e'er unfuried, The banner best in all the world Hooray! Hooray! Let nations say

Missouri State! Simple, sensuous, passionate, potent

#### THE LETTER OF LEE'S. Doubt Thrown on the Genuineness of One Passage.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir o-day's Sun appears a private letter from General Robert E. Lee to his son, G. W. C. Lee, recently dead. The letter is dated April 5, 1852, and opens with the following

I am just in the act of leaving home for New dexico. My old regiment has been ordered to that distant region, and I must hasten to see that

General Robert E. Lee served in the Enime of his graduation at West Point until 1855, when he was appointed Lieutenant-Colonel of one of the two new cavalry regi-

ments created that year.

General Lee could not have written in 852 a reference to "my old regiment. the line until 1855 and the Engineer Corps never had any regimental or battalion or ganization until after the civil war.

The introduction to General Lee's lette son Custis Lee when the latter was a cadet bility of an error in the date of the letter But when Custis Lee was a cadet father was a Captain of Engineers and su erintendent of the Military Academy at Vest Point. There appears to be no reason for General Lee at that time to be hasten ing to New Mexico, particularly to join his

General Lee's letter to his son is too valua ole to have its authenticity cast in doubt hostorical mistakes that seem to have been introduced by some one attempting tedit the letter. MONTGOMERY WRIGHT, WASHINGTON, D. C., February 22.

old regiment," as he had never belonger

#### CHEAP LIVING. New York Exile's Fare in a Japanese

Restaurant of Seattle. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Siz present I am temporarily stranded ou

My living is very modest, modest in fact that my meals (two a day Japanese restaurant. My morning meal costs me but 5 cents. For that humble sum get three large cinnamon rolls, or "snails" as they are called by the initiated and cup of excellent strong coffee with milk and sugar.

My late afternoon meal costs 10 cents Witness, all ye in New York, who complain of the high cost of living what a dime that I advise any one to come out just at present, for times are a little dull.) Here is a sample menu of my 10 cent

1. A bowl of strong clam broth with vegetables 2. Lamb curry with boiled rice and vegetables a big platter full.

3. Cup of coffee, pat of butter and all the bread

one could possibly eat (big piles of it on the coundelicious fried potato, a radish and a good sized piece of cake in view of the price i consider this

In the words of our esteemed friend 'huck Connors, "Can you beat it

FORMER NEW YORKER. SEATTLE, Wash., February 19.

The New York Quakers in April, 1789. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Not all the Quakers in New York in the latter days of April 1789 were so obtuse as the thought more of his dinner than of the but opposition was the attitude of the sect. Memorial History of New York Volume III., page 52) is a letter from Sarah Robinson, niece of the owner of the Frankington had "brief repose" before going to with Governor Clinton, to Kitty Wistar

The evening after his Excellency arrived there was a general illumination took place, except among the Friends and those styled Anti-Federal-The latter's windows suffered some, thou may imagine

sweet song of harmony that some writers acter of Mr. Gonzales there is still no on the doings of those days permit us to doubt, but he can't go into the Cabinet; he imagine. Some of the anti-Federalistic that the State Board of Charities is an ancestors of our Democrats were "sore

#### NEW YORK, February 24. The Absurd Literacy Test

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: THE SUN deserves the praise which unconits stand | board.

can be depended upon it is safe to assume that there would be no little Rebecca Katzes o write to you and inspire you to such firmary on Blackwell's Island and for the beautiful American sentiment as "A Letter Farm Colony on Staten Island, for which from a Schoolgirl"; for their parents would the city of New York paid a large amount, not have been permitted to enter our coun try if any such immigration bill as has ust been vetoed had been in force.

are as do the sturdy, well educated off spring of the Irish and Germans who came here fifty years ago; and they all prove the wis-STONE HOUSE. WEST NORFOLK, Conn., February 23.

## Patriotism in the Rain.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: While rossing the Williamsburg Bridge fon Pebruary 22 I had an opportunity to ob-Brooklyn end. It certainly was impressive o see the large crowd in attendance spite of the pouring rain. It apparently confirmed the remark of a stranger near to me that there was more real patriotism in that section than in any other part of the

NEW YORK, February 24. A Futuristic Fantasy.

Cubist Man loved a Spherist Maid They met by stealth in a Forest Glade. But a Post-Impressionist saw the twain And painted the scene on an Upper Plane He followed a highly Subjective Plan.

gain his ends.

MAURICE MORRIS.

THE M'ELLIGOTT BILL.

President of State Board of Charities Repiles to Commissioner Drummond. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: While Commissioner Drummond's statement in THE EVENING SUN of Saturday last is evidently the product of a pen which "catches fire as it goes" I shall seek to answer it dispassionately and accurately. Abuse is not argument and heated words can never be

accepted in the place of reason.

The friction which has evidently arisen between the Commissioner of Public Chariities is based upon the refusal of the board to approve certain plans for buildings sub-mitted by the Commissioner for the board's approval, in accordance with the provision The board has promptly and gladly approved other plans submitted by the Commissioner, which had evidently been prepared by architects of experience. The plans which were disapproved had been prepared by architects not known to have had experience in the kind of work covered by the plans. They were evidently selected by the Commissioner for other reasons;

presumably to give them work. The plans disapproved covered two proposed buildings. One of these was for a dining room building for the Metropolitan Infirmary on Blackwell's Island. uberculosis patients in advanced stages of the disease are cared for in large numbers There have been more than a thousand deaths at this institution in a year.

It is an elementary proposition care of tuberculosis patients that they should not be required to climb stairs. Notwithstanding this fact, and the other fact that there was ample room for a one story building, the plans submitted by Commissioner Drummond for the approval of a two story dining room building which hundred patients to quired over three elimb a flight and a quarter of steps three imes a day. Naturally the State Board of Charities could not approve such plans. The authority which Commissoiner Drumthe enactment of the McElligott bill was

things from being done. by the State Board of Charities was for a great two story dining room for aged and infirm spects he has been only though foremost among and a quarter of steps three times a day tral location originally planned for it to a site on the grounds. The chronic diseases which would have been would have been obliged to walk an addinate people are not supplied with rubbers. mackintoshes or umbrellas, nor even with changes of clothing, this unnecessary addiional exposure to the weather would have been exceedingly injurious to them. There when much opposed. This man has is ample room for a one story dining room dreamed his dream, and then stood up and uilding in a more central location at the Farm Colony, and the board could not approve any such plans for the Commis-sioner even had they been desirable in

other respects, which was not the case. In order to enable him to erect an undesirable building of this character, not at his own expense but at the expense of the pend the money of the taxpayers as he

Abler and more experienced men, who have with diminished ego filled the office of Commissioner of Public Charities in this city, never thought it necessary to seek any such enactment in the general laws of the State. There is nothing in Commis- this remarkable man of twentieth century sioner Drummond's public record affords the warrant for any such exception n his favor

The Commissioner's statement to the effect that waste of time and extra cost are his plans are merely his own assertions Any suitable plans he presents can be passed upon within a week, and the cost of well planned buildings is no greater to begin with than the cost of the poorly planned with than the cost of the poorly planned the broken pledges of the Prime Minister ones he submitted. And the former will and his Cabinet? Is it not because of the

be cheaper in the end. When the Commissioner states that the upon aimshouse plans he overlooks the fact of the earth? Or does The Sun regard the that Dr. Stephen Smith of New York city. breaking of windows a criminal action and who is vice-president of the board and the breaking of solemn pledges a matter chairman of its standing committee on of chivalry construction of buildings, is and has been THE SUN for years a well known expert in the con-key patience of the British Government. struction of all kinds of charitable institu- "Patience" is what the Cabinet Ministers tions. Commissioner Smith has given his personal attention to all the plans submitted y Commissioner Drummond, approving those which were good and disapproving purposes. The board has a number of employees in its service whose long experience with almshouse plans and adminisration makes them entirely familiar with would quickly recognize the serious defects n the plans which were submitted b Commissioner and disapproved by the

board.
There is a vast difference between the building of almshouse dining rooms and the construction of schoolhouses, fire houses, police stations and other city The schools, fire houses and police tures. stations are built every year, while the almshouse dining rooms are built about once in twenty-five years. Neither Commissioner Drummond and other advisers have had any experience whstever in such matters.

The general accuracy of Commissioner The first inauguration was not the grand, Drummond's statements and the reliance to be placed upon them can perhaps best be measured by his repeated allegations "up-State board," and therefore should not pass on city plans. Out of the total missioners from New York city: namely, Herman A. Metz. Thomas M. Mulry, Herman Ridger, Dr. Stephen Smith and my-worth and myself. I had not take them, so he wore them out. sciously is coming to it from such young New York city questions coming before the

There are standards for guidance in tion bill.

If history and our own observations should well know if he knows anything about the business of his office. The origiprovide for a one story dining room for for a similar building in a central location for the aged and infirm poor at the Farm Colony on Staten Island. plans were prepared in consultation and had the approval of the scientific advisory council of the then Commissioner of Public Charities of this city. that council was the late Dr. Edward G. Janeway

The tuberculosis hospital on Staten Island, which Commissioner Drummond is now building, has a one story dining roo for the patients. In this the standards were set up, as he should well know, for the layout has been hanging on the walls of his office. The Commissioner has deliberately departed from these standards without rhyme or reason and now seeks legislative permission in support of his actions The State Board of Charities formally

disapproved his plans over seven months Instead of using the intervening time the preparation of better plans he has wasted it in attempts to force the approval he now appeals to the Legislature, using the political influence of the district leader is his First Deputy Commissioner to

this quotation from the closing paragraph of his letter: "The McElligott bill deserves to live. Whoever opposes it is either ignorant of the actual conditions, a selfish bureaucrat, an enemy to the poor or a very

bad New Yorker indeed."
In other words whoever opposes a change in the provisions of a general law of the State which have worked well and smoothly for forty years, which proposed change would permit the Commissioner of Public Charities, without previous knowledge or experience in this field of charitable work to compel consumptive patients and the aged and infirm poor to climb stairs to their meals when they could be much better provided for on the ground floor, is ignorant selfish, an enemy of the poor or a bad citize of this city

Despite this general anathems, however ommissioner Drummond may be assure that his attempt to have his own way when that way is so clearly wrong will be strenu-ously opposed before the Legislature and

the Governor if necessary.
WILLIAM R. STEWART, President State Board of Charities

#### NEW YORK, February 24. PORTRAIT OF A DREAMER. An Artist's Revelation of the Character

of a Great Man of Affairs. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In the Morgan collection of paintings at the Metropolitan Museum are the portraits of two men, one of them by Rembrandt of a contemporary, the other by a modern artist of a notable man of our own day. Both are psychologically powerful. the seventeenth century and the man of the twentieth declare much of their real selves. The curtain which conceals the deeper per back a little by each painter from the soul of his sitter, and we can look a little way

behind it to the motives of each man. So high is the place of the modern, so great is his influence in affairs, that it is an interesting study to trace out the kind of

The portrait discloses him a man I had not expected this. His career has, been one of great accomplishment along purely material lines. He has which was disapproved gained large wealth as an organizer material enterprises. In these rethough foremost among that kind of men almshouse. This plan not only required But such materialist is not the man of this everal hundred old men to climb a flight | portrait. The artist has pictured a different man, a dreamer striving with intense for their meals but also, without any good gaze to reduce to clear vision the far ideas reason, removed the building from the cen- which occupy his thoughts. Compare this which occupy his thoughts. Compare this portrait with the Rembrandt, and its nificance becomes plain. Rembrandt's man result would have been that the old and has an intense look, but it is the expression of one set upon an object near at hand. This man of the twentieth century concentrates his gaze because he is mor tally striving to bring into clear thought tional distance equal to several city blocks far ranging purposes. If this man has at-to and from their meals. As these unfortu-

But the man of this portrait is not merely a dreamer. He is a man of determined will, pugnacious and irritable in wrath fought out strenuously and raged at his

enemies to accomplish his dream.

He has not come out of the conflict without surprised me. He has seemed to go on his way with that contemptuous indifference to public protests which attributed to the late William H. Vanderbilt city of New York, he caused the intro-duction of the McElligott bill, which is intended to give him a fear blank him is been reported. But this picture shows him intended to give him a freer hand to treat otherwise—sensitive, wounded sore by the the poor of the city of New York and to ex- criticism uttered against him these last fifteen years, and against the things he has stood for; against him as the foremost organizer of those things.

cious, but sensitive and wounded deeply by public censure, yet going doggedly on his way. Such is the complex character of affairs as portrayed on this canvas

DAVID WALBRO. NEW YORK, February 21.

## Patience and Pankhurstitis.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Si-Emmelina?" asks "How long will British

Does the question of "courtess" and his Cabinet? Is it not because of the can regulate the supply of wheat by the treachery of those honorable gentlemen (?) o the women of Great Britain that they to pass have become "a laughing stock to the ends

THE SUN facetiously refers to the "donare eternally advising women to practise and they are now having an opportunity to follow their own advice, the advice they have been handing out to women for fifty years in England. According to THE SUN women, but that it makes "donkeys" of

Masculine logic, alas, alas! CAROLINE ROWE.

NEW YORK, February 22.

Still Another Colocidence. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SI endleton, Ore., my suitcase was stolen at the station in the early evening of a Monday in late November. It was found looted in a field next day, and was sent to me in a

recked condition.
I received it on Thanksgiving Day morn-Coming out from dinner at the New land I met a friend from New York city. Mr. Ellsworth. ing a pleasant Thanksgiving so far away

from home.

"No, I'm having a beastly time. My grip was stolen Tuesday night at Pendletor I have just got it wrecked and looted. one redeeming feature, in it is a pair of dandy new overshoes, which I need."

They were mine, stolen from my suitcase Monday night, kept till Tuesday night and then put in his grip. Probably they did, not fit, but they fitted equally well Ellsworth and myself. I had not the heart to

Not easy to match that series of combi-BOSTON, February 24.

## Tagging the Cat.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SUL I am for any bill or means that will stop cats from killing tations, even those of capital importance. birds. I am convinced, too, that cats cruelly murder more birds than are killed by men to adorn the heads of lovely women. But I am afraid this proposed Massachusetts bill providing for a tag for cats will bind their throats and interfere with their mellifluous voices: and the people can never get along without their

soothing nightly concerts.

In Massachusetts, too, it is likely to give Honey
Fitz a monopoly and possibly bring him within the purview of the Sherman act

NEW HAVEN, Conn., February 24.

Which Side of Salem Is the Tunnel? TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sit: In THE SUN of February 22 under the heading "Accuracy in inthrop Alden to on which side of Salem is the tunnel which he works into his story. The verdice that the tunnel is between Boston and Salem.
If my memory serves me right. Mr. Alden falled in his efforts after all, for, as I distinctly remember it, the tunnel is beyond Salem and is or was five years ago entered immediately after leaving the Salem depot on the way to Beverly. B. A. H. ELIZABETH. N. J., February 24.

The Parl-Mutuel System.

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: If the di-rectors of the various racetracks in New York State feel encouraged by the recent affirmation by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court in Brooklyn of Justice Townsend Scudder's decision in the Faul Shane case to open their tracks, it would be a good plan for them to adopt the pari If all that is claimed for system is true, crookedness will be impossible The state and attitude of mind from which Commissioner Drummond views this making small bets for the fun of it. Part. Brooklyn par NEW YORK. February 24.

# FIND SINGLE TAX IDEA IN NEW REALTY BILL

Operators and Landowners Oppose Measure for Half Land Rates on Buildings.

INCONSISTENCY IS CHARGED

Principle Said to Be All Right in New Communities, but Not in Old Ones.

Real estate interests generally are ecoming much interested in Salant-Schaap bill, now pending in the State Legislature, which provides for a reduction of taxes on buildings to one half the rate on land, and there seems to be a fast growing belief by operators. land owners and others that the proposed measure is a forerunner of legislation looking to the establishment of the single tax idea.

The bill is a new edition of the Sulli van-Brooks bill, which met with much opposition last year.

Backers of the bill are carrying on what they call a campaign of education to show people that rents will be reduced if taxes on buildings are cur down, and many persons who have seen their exhibit in a Union Square store, already described in THE SUN been much impressed by what they have heard and seen.

E. A. Tredwell of 41 Park row, presi dent of the Real Estate Board of Brokers, last evening said:

"It is an underhanded methed of intro during the single tax, and it will be found movement is primarily a single taxer possibly without the courage of his victions. They are afraid to exploit convictions. the single tax openly, but must do it under cover

The principles contained in the co-called Salant-Schaap bill are purely single tax and are good examples of atavism or a working back to primitive instincts. The world discarded single tax when it discarded "For a primitive conception of taxation

and of life the single tax may have some merit, but unless we wish to revert back to barbarism it is not wise to consider it one-half the rate on land it will stimulate the intensive use of ground, or more build-ing on less land. It would apparently overstimulate building, provided the sources of money supply would not varning in advance and withhold the cash

"It offends the basic principles of all axation by trying to work out a social problem in a revenue measure. ng of the tax on buildings will not work do? Take it all off, and then we will have

"In my opinion the bill is a bad one Robert E. Simon of the Henry Mor-

genthau Company, 165 Broadway, said: "This bill is not an attempt to solve the ongestion problem. It is simply a stalkng horse for single tax. The single tax has its merits in a new community, but it ioesn't permit of a readjustment of old communities under its plan. "You can't control congestion. All argu-

nents have been brought to bear on the people in congested districts to move, out they couldn't afford transportation. "People of one nationality want to live together in groups. As the young folks grow up and the family saves money they

move away.

"But you can't solve the problem of congestion by taxation. Why don't they solve it by the distribution of immigrants? "You can no more regulate the law of supply and demand by taxation than you

## MAYOR TO GIVE A HEARING. Will Listen to Arguments on Bill

Affecting Maxwell's Powers. Mayor Gaynor will conduct a hearing his afternoon on Assemblyman McKee bill, which takes from City Superintend ent of Schools Maxwell exclusive diction in the enforcement

pulsory attendance law and transfers the direction to the Board of Education.

The bill, introduced January 21, was rushed through the Legislature in almost record time and the hearings for to-day were advertised on Friday and yesterday in the City Record.

The measure in question is only one of several, which, it is said, are to be introduced to relieve the City Superintend ent of exclusive authority in nearly branch of the school system. measure soon to go in and to be backed by the majority members of the Legisla-ture, it is said, will deprive the super-intendent of the right to make transfers for the good of the Police Department. has been made that this gives one man of teachers, superintendents and instruc-

## WILSON DECLINES INVITATION. President-elect Will Not Attend St

Patrick Society's Dinner. George J. S. Dowling, president of the St. Patrick's Society in Brooklyn, ha ceived a letter from President-elect in response to an invitation to attend the annual dinner of the society be held on March 17 at the Waldorf-As-toria. The letter is as follows: "DEAR MR. DOWLING: I wish sincerely

that I might accept the invitation con-tained in your letter of February 17 to attend the annual dinner of the St. Patrick's Society to be held March 17 at the Waldorf-Astoria, but I have made a olemn vow that I will decline all invi ington. I am sure that the committee will understand, and I believe they will approve this decision on my part. Gov. Sulzer has accepted an invitation

### QUEENS WILL HAVE AN EXPERT. New Commissioner of Public Works

to the dinner

Will Reorganize Department When Representative-elect Denn O'Leary leaves his job as Commissioner of Public Works of Queens the position is to be filled by an expert who will reorganize that department according to the present plans of President Connolly of that borough.

Commissioner O'Leary quit the Assistant District Attorney of Queens county to aid President Connolly in rescounty to aid President Connolly in rescounty to aid President Connolly in rescounts. been preying on it ever since consolida-tion. He formed one of the cabinet, of which G. Howland Leavitt, the Superintendent of Highways, and J. Foster C well, consulting engineer, of that borough

Brooklyn Democrats at Inaugural. The Brooklyn Democracy will be represented by about 600 active workers at the inaugural ceremonies at Washington on next Tuesday. The start will be on Monday morning from the Flatbush ave-nue terminal. The headquarters of the Brooklyn party will be in the Raieigh